

Elliott West CSO Facility Emergency Repair

August - October 2008

To protect public health and the environment, the King County Wastewater Treatment Division will make emergency repairs to its Elliott West Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) Facility in Myrtle Edwards Park in fall 2008.

Like many older cities in the United States, parts of Seattle's sewer system convey both wastewater and stormwater. During storms these combined flows enter the Elliott West CSO facility for storage and/or treatment. When the combined flows exceed the facility's capacity, a portion discharges to Elliott Bay through an outfall pipe offshore of Myrtle Edwards Park.

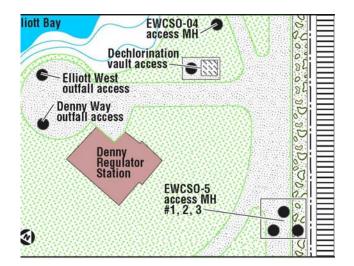
The repair work is part of King County's ongoing effort to reduce CSO's into Elliott Bay. The upgrades and repairs made during this project will prevent further damage to the facility and reduce the chance of overflows into the park during storms.

Repairs are scheduled to be complete in October, with final restoration and landscaping occurring later.

To ensure the facility is ready for the winter wet season, King

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County's contractor may work 24 hours a day on weekdays and Saturdays.



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Project Overview

To repair damaged equipment and improve the facility's hydraulics, crews must access underground decholrination equipment just north of the Denny Way Regulator Station in Myrtle Edwards Park. Construction trailers and equipment staged in the park during the project may obstruct the pedestrian walkway along the shoreline south of the work site, and truck traffic to and from the work site will be present at times on the access road/bike path along the park's eastern border.

Bicyclists and pedestrians will have to share the western asphalt pathway when trucks are present. To protect public safety, traffic control personnel will detour bike and pedestrian traffic away from the eastern pathway and escort trucks as they pass through the park to the work site.

King County urges park users to remain alert and cautious near the work site.

What to Expect

- 24-hour work at the Denny Way Regulator in Myrtle Edwards Park.
- Restricted public access to some park areas on or near the work site.
- Increased noise, activity and heavy equipment from the construction site.
- Increased truck traffic on the park access road along the park's eastern edge. To
 protect public safety, traffic control personnel will escort trucks through the park.

For more information

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